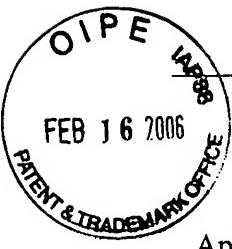


TFW

3632

Please Direct All Correspondence to Customer Number 20995



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Katsutoshi TENMA, et al.
 App. No : 10/079,077
 Filed : February 19, 2002
 For : SUPPORTING DEVICE FOR NON-AVERAGED FORCE
 Examiner : Steven M. Marsh
 Art Unit : 3632

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence and all marked attachments are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on

February 14, 2006
(Date)

Katsuhiro Arai
Katsuhiro Arai, Reg. No. 43,315

STATUS LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Upon review of our records and any available PAIR record, it appears there has been no action in the above-referenced application since December 21, 2005.

Please inform us as to the status of this application.

Respectfully submitted,
KNOBBE, MARTENS, OLSON & BEAR, LLP

Dated: February 14, 2006

By: *Katsuhiro Arai*
Katsuhiro Arai
Registration No. 43,314
Attorney of Record
Customer No. 20,995
(949) 760-0404

2375110
021406